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Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated April 8, 2003 (Paper No. 12) was due by July 8, 2003. A Petition for Extension of Time (three months, small entity) is enclosed, extending the date to October 8, 2003. Please accept this Amendment as timely filed and fully responsive. A Notice of Appeal is being concurrently filed.

For the purpose of placing the above-captioned application in immediate condition for allowance, or alternatively, in better form for appeal, Applicant respectfully requests entry and consideration of this Amendment.

In response to Paper No. 12, kindly amend the above-identified patent application as follows.